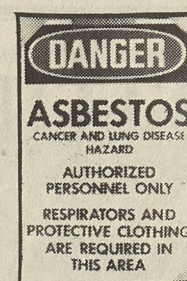


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Falling rain?



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Sunshine showers - Drew Thomas, a student at Valley, unknowingly stops for a picturesque scene.

PAC packs it up Senate calls it quits

By JOSE LEMUS
Staff Writer

The controversy on the budget cuts has culminated with the disintegration of college leadership at Valley.

At its regular meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 20, the Valley College Academic Senate passed a motion to cease its association with the college Planning and Advisory Committee (PAC).

The document dated Sept. 20, 1990, enlists 13 instances that show Dr. Mary Lee, Valley college president, rejecting suggestions from the PAC committee, and in cases either undermined the committee's position on issues or did not ask for the senate's input. Lee was officially informed of the Senate withdrawal from PAC through a letter dated Sept. 25, from Jack Sterk, Valley

academic senate president.

Lee would not comment on the matter, saying, "I would rather to withhold my comment until I meet with the senate this Thursday." In a letter the senate charges Administration of "Failure of Shared Governance at Valley College."

PAC is a committee on campus that functions as a liaison among administration, faculty, classified staff and students. The role of PAC in campus is that of over-seeing the entire college functions and of advising administration and Lee on special projects and programs that affect Valley students. On a written document released by Sterk, the senate attempts to prove Dr. Lee's failure of "shared governance" on actions taken place at PAC meetings during school years 1989-90 through 1990-91.

The senate cites that during school year 1989-90, administrative

reorganization took place at Valley due to Ed Young being named acting president at Los Angeles City College. The senate contends that no attempt was made for faculty input, whatsoever. In another occasion during the same operating year (1989-90) the PAC committee suggested the building of the Fitness Center to be postponed until final budget figures for 90-91 were known. The senate maintains that Lee rejected the proposal.

In addition, in 1990-91 a formed hiring committee for vice president of academic affairs interviewed seven candidates. The senate contends that Lee rejected the candidate selected by the committee.

The senate also argues the usage of undemocratic procedures by Lee, which they Sterk claimed as being an ongoing problem for the last few years.

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Wieder becomes new VP

By JANICE RUTHERFORD
Staff Writer

This fall semester at Los Angeles Valley College there is a new Vice President of Academic Affairs, Mrs. Tyree Wieder.

Wieder will be replacing Dr. Edwin Young who left the position in 1989. Robert Sprague who was the acting vice president after Dr. Young vacated the position for one year.

Wieder, a native of Los Angeles, began her schooling at Compton Community College. She then graduated from Cal State Long Beach and received her masters degree from Cal State Northridge in Educational Psychology. Upon receiving her degree, Wieder then went on to Moorpark Community College where she was Dean of student services and taught psychology classes for about eight years.

When asked about her plans for the fall semester Wieder responded that she doesn't plan to make any major changes. "You don't come

into a place that has been running smoothly for 40 years and announce major changes. I plan on talking to the faculty and the department heads to find out their needs.

Wieder admitted to having three main goals she would like to achieve. The first would be to meet with the individual department heads and develop alternate sources of funding, through grants from outside agencies. "Many classes were cut from the budget and we can expect more of the same next semester." Wieder also stated that after the third week of the semester no additional classes would be cut. Wieder's second goal would be to promote a state wide infusion of cultural diversity in instruction. And to expand the current curriculum towards a multi-cultural literacy. Wieder feels that all groups would benefit by learning about people in their class. Thirdly, Wieder would like eventually computerize the Office of Instruction. "This would minimize a lot of the

confusion associated with the first day of the new semester, such as rooming problems."

In anticipation of the spring semester cuts Wieder plans on meeting with the department heads and faculty to plan the schedule and oversee the instructional program. Wieder also plans on meeting with the counseling and area dean to review the delivery system and prioritize the workload to meet the students needs.

Wieder says she really enjoys the community college atmosphere, "one of the joys of working on a college campus are all of the cultural events that take place. Wieder likes to participate in most all of the campus events and says she plans to attend the theater, football games and other events with her husband Les Wieder, an instructor of T.V. and Theater arts at Moorpark college, and her nine year old daughter. "I am very pleased to be here and I am looking forward to an exciting year."

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Bookstore to receive facelift

By GLENDA DeYOUNG
Staff Writer

Those long bookstore lines allowing enough time for cover to cover reading of small textbooks or at least a spicy paperback, were to have been a thing of the past this fall.

Remodeling of the Valley College bookstore was scheduled for completion in mid July. Other than removal of both the information counter and department headings over the texts, the bookstore appears to be unchanged.

According to Claudette Burns, bookstore manager, bids for the remodeling did not get out, back and approved until the end of June. The low bid came back at the previously projected budget of \$130,000. Remodeling is expected to resume next week with completion by the end of next month.

Both Mary Ann Breckell, vice president and dean of administrative affairs and Burns agree that the bookstore has needed remodeling for a long time.

Burns says the remodeling will put an end to the zig zagging aisles and also widen them for easier wheelchair access.

The bookstore will also have 10 cash registers (four stationary at the front of the store, four registers that can be converted to displays after rush periods and one each in the computer/calculator section and at the buy-back/refund station). All registers will have credit card scanning ability for faster credit card sales (at this time bar coding is not an option.)

The textbook section will remain in alphabetical order by department

District Bookstore fund. Profits from all community college bookstores in the district go into this fund to pay salaries, buy supplies and remodel the bookstores.

Burns defends the cost by citing the \$90,000 to \$120,000 estimated remodeling cost of Chaffee College that is coming closer to \$400,000. She explains how she is sure the costs will stay within the budget.

Having Richard Kremer, who originally designed Valley College's

college charged the bookstore fund for salaries and services performed by the college's Plant Facilities department. Normally, if small, the services performed by Plant Facilities are thrown in for the bookstore and all other departments on campus. However, this year the school found itself with less money than expected.

Breckell said, "We did not keep our own books (accounting) last year and we could only access the (LACCD) records in certain modes giving us false readings." She expressed her hopes in avoiding a repetition of the deficit by saying, "This year we are keeping our own records."

According to Burns, with this one time charge by LAVC, the LACCD records now show the bookstore operating in the red for the '89, '90 year. She hopes the remodeling and better displaying of non-textbook material will make the bookstore more profitable and help recoup the loss. She says, "When I travel, I try to visit campus bookstores for comparison. Our prices especially on clothing are usually less." She added that sales in the past have surely been lost due to difficulty in locating items and not because of the cost.

"Who would have thought that we would need a special computer section?"

- Mary Ann Breckell

with one exception. English is being pulled from the alphabet. Comprising approximately 25 percent of the textbook space and growing each semester, the English texts will now be by themselves. Giving these texts a separate section, their growth will no longer necessitate shifting of other departments that follow in alphabetical order.

Work is being done by the bookstore staff who are paid by the Los Angeles Community College

bookstore, working with her and Bailey Showcase (the bid winners) to revamp some of the existing shelving and design compatible new shelving, the cost will remain low.

In May the Valley Star reported that the bookstore budget was comprised of 50 percent of both the '89, '90 bookstore profits (\$140,000) and the projected (\$120,000) '90, '91 profits. The former figure has since changed, due to an unforeseen deficit faced by Valley College, the

EVENT CALENDAR

Today-Sept. 27

Noon—Academic Senate in the Faculty Lounge.

Friday-Sept. 28

Noon—GALA Meeting Campus Center 104.
3:30 p.m.—Water polo vs. El Camino at Valley.
4 p.m.—Cross Country at Bakersfield.

Saturday-Sept. 29

7:30 p.m.—Football vs. Ventura at Valley.
8 p.m.—Shakespeare readings in the Horseshoe Theater.

Sunday-Sept. 30

7:30 p.m.—LAVC Fall concert season. Admission \$4 and \$5 in the Music Recital Hall.
8 p.m.—Shakespeare readings in the Horseshoe Theater.

Tuesday-Oct. 1

Noon—ASU meeting in Campus Center 104.

Wednesday-Oct. 2

1 p.m.—MEChA meeting Foreign Language 111.

—STAR EDITORIAL—

District budget in crisis

Every semester we tend to hear different phrases that we all can relate to. Last spring, every problem that came along there was a three word excuse "no mail registration."

The reason for no mail in registration last semester was because of the expensive first class mail. This semester's phrase is "budget cut."

In this fall semester 206 classes were cancelled due to the budget cut that has hit each campus in the Los Angeles Community College District. The \$9.9 million deficit was divided between each campus in the district affecting every department in each school. About 186 classes are expected to be dropped for the spring semester here at Valley College.

The cuts were evenly divided between the two semesters. The fall semester has more classes offered, so more classes were cancelled for this semester. During the spring less classes are offered so there were less cuts in classes.

This interference effects the students because they might not be able to enroll in class due to it being cancelled or full. On the other hand, teachers get put on a spot since the problem of over enrollment has increased. Teachers are accepting more students than there are chairs.

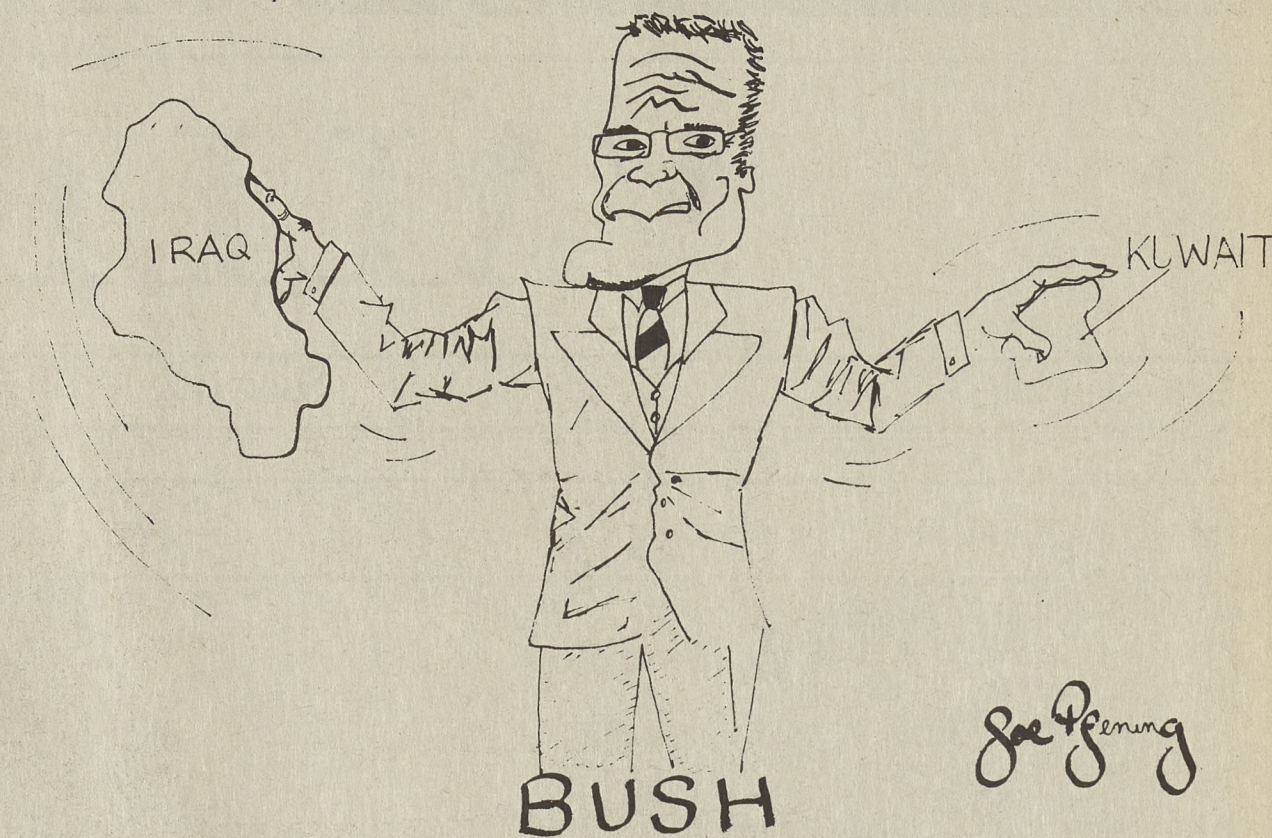
We think of the first week of school as being crazy but this year crazy is not enough to describe the situa-

tion. There are students running up and down looking for a class to add, stealing chairs from other rooms and even getting to class ahead of time to actually get a seat. Students even come to school at least an hour before to get a parking space.

In all of the departments there have been major cuts. There are not enough teachers or equipment needed for each individual department.

Going back a decade or so community college was completely free. Now, depending on the amount of units, most students pay the maximum of \$50. Now that students are paying for an education there are less available classes and other opportunities that were given in previous years. It is valid that everything has gone up, not to mention higher education. One solution to the budget cut could be raising the cost per unit, and we could get our classes back. But how much should they raise it? Are less students going to attend college because of the increase of tuition? Is it really going to resolve the problem or will tuition be increased each time a budget cut comes along? Where else can we get the money to get these classes? The ever popular fitness center has caused some questions as to whether we really need this \$250,000 investment. The opinions are divided. Some think that we should pay a higher fee for education and others disagree. Only the future will tell how the community college will survive the years to come.

STUCK BETWEEN IRAQ AND A HARD PLACE



Abandoned youth

Our society's forgotten future

By CHRISTOPHER D. SHARPE
Opinion Editor

There is a disturbing sub-culture on the streets of Los Angeles. That culture is composed of runaway and homeless youths. There are approximately 20,000 runaway and homeless youth in LA County. 5,000 of these youth are in the Hollywood area.

Runaway youth in Los Angeles cross all racial and class lines. 85 percent of these youth have come from out of state. There are some disturbing facts about this sub-culture. Among the youths on the street, 70 percent have been sexually or physically abused in the home, 60 percent have attempted suicide, and 35 percent have been thrown out of their home because of homosexuality.

These youth, abandoned by their family, come to LA, particularly Hollywood, because it's warm and it's perceived to be a place where it's

glamorous and easy to survive.

Once they arrive, however, the majority of these youth find themselves on the street without any money or means of survival. Those youths in this position usually resort to prostitution for immediate survival. They are taken in by the older

"For many of these youths, this is the first time that they find acceptance and caring."

street youth who show them the ropes. After a few weeks, a bond of loyalty is formed and these youths start to think of the street as their home and other street youth as their family. For many of these youths, this is the first time in their lives that they find acceptance and caring.

As you know, many of these youths have been abused. Like all victims of abuse they internalize the violence inflicted upon them. They suffer from low self-esteem and self-hatred. As a result, almost all youth on the street smoke marijuana and drink alcohol in excess. A large segment of these youths resort to harder drugs, such as Methedrine (speed), crack, and various hallucinogenics (acid and ecstasy.)

These youth come to feel that they literally have no worth and that the streets are where they belong. They start to feel that being used and abused is appropriate to them.

There is a pressing need to get these youth off the streets and back into society. The federal government has not been too much help. With a budget of \$1 trillion, the government found just \$26 million to be available to help runaways.

The response of parents of these youth is even more negative. Street

youth who attempt to get off the streets and go back home are told 68 percent of the time that they're not wanted.

While parents refuse all responsibility for their children and while government makes no more than a token commitment, the effects of the street continues to take its toll on these youth. Every year, more than 5,000 runaway youths in this country are buried in unmarked graves.

This is a disturbing testimony for a country devoted to the improvement of the human condition. It is a problem which pervades all aspects of our social structure. Not only must we contemplate how to substantially help those youth already on the street, we must analyze our social structure in order to ensure that this unacceptable aspect of our society comes to an end.

By CHRISTOPHER D. SHARPE
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Not just a breath

People seem to have the misconception that being alive and living are one in the same. It's easy to be alive - you only need to eat; you can beg, borrow or steal, whichever fits your style, drink, sleep, and stay relatively warm. Everyone who exists in this world is alive. How many, however, are living? How many want to live?

Half of the people in this disturbed world spend their lives, not so much within themselves for they would be able to create their own world and live within those boundaries, hating each other. They hate themselves for their inability to understand what life is about. They don't realize that nobody knows what life is about. They hate themselves for their lack of self and for their fear of following their own conscience toward, albeit rocky and cloudy, a future that best fits that person. They hate themselves for their meekness full of hatred, the worst kind, the debilitating kind, in following all the other lost people in some pre-conceived standard of living one's life.

Half the world is hating their existence and hating each other for the lives in which they are entrapped. But who did the entrapment? You can accuse parents, schools, authorities(?), even punishment for this dilemma. Yet one reaches a point where nobody can do your thinking for you unless you want to be brain-washed and want to be led and have an easy existence. By the time you realize that this future holds nothing for you or for anyone else you find yourself looking around. When you find nothing else to grasp, you hang on to those misconceptions. You wind up hating yourself for not being strong and hating others for being the same way and for not taking you by the hand and showing you the way out.

They and a large percentage of the other half that are scared into the death-begging ways become the outwardly upright, straight people. They become the moralists, the God-fearing, the lex-talions preaching 'edifying' force of society. Most of the remainder know that this way leads to death. Yet they, themselves, need something to grasp on to. Unfortunately, the only viable(?) solution in sight is this sickness so with great anguish they

reach out for it. In this group you have, depending on how much they crave stability; the people who ingest drugs and narcotics, the saddest of them all because they need the strongest stimuli to stay attached to slow death; the alcoholics who relieve some of their frustration by crying to or beating up everyone else; the sexual proliferates who feel they need to at least have the illusion that they are looking for a way out. They are only fooling themselves for, come the following day, all they have left is the feeling that they've helped contribute to the death of mankind; the thieves and murderers who tried to live the slow death but could not condescend to that level. Seeing no other way out, they ac-

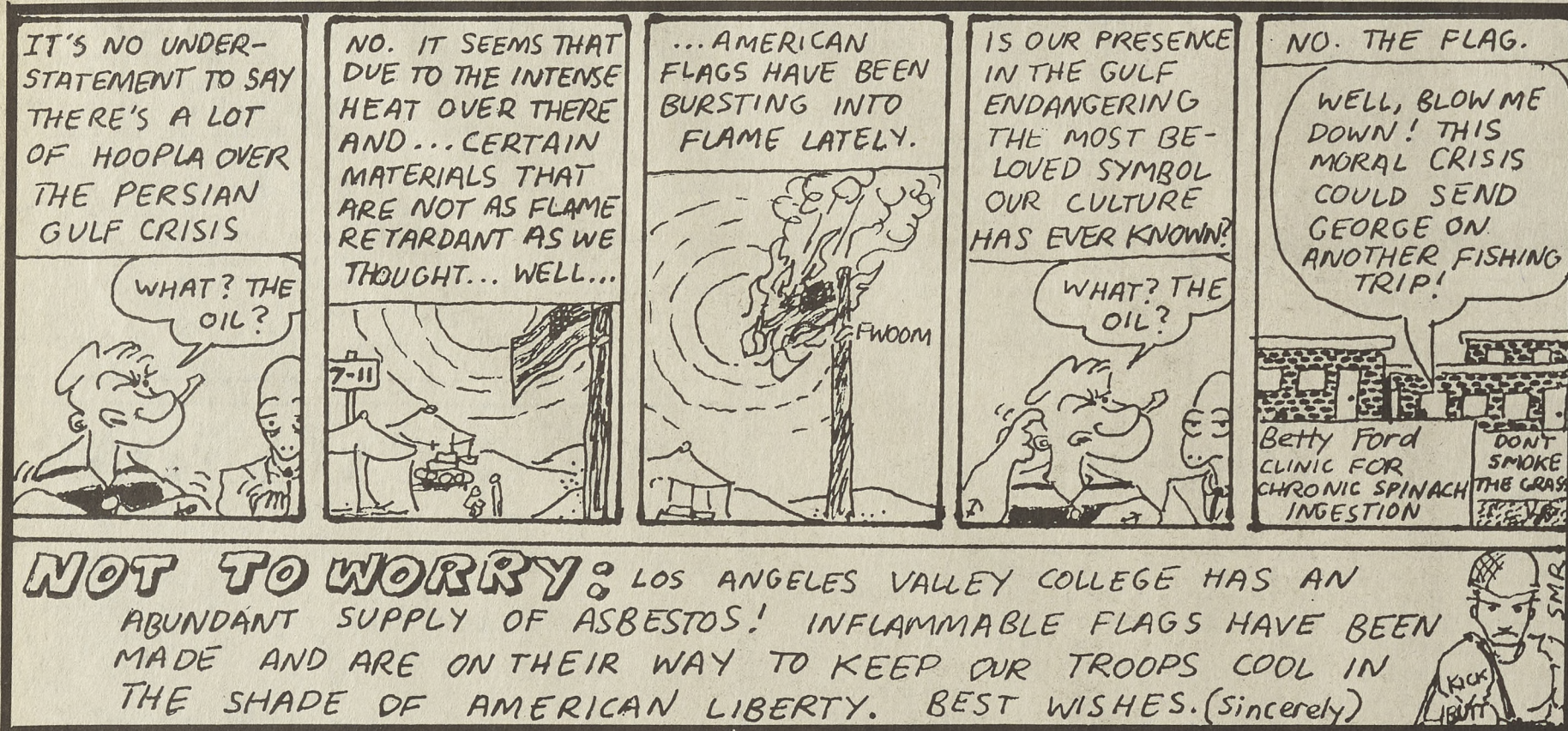
"They hold the answer to true freedom - strength in one's self and in one's ideals."

tively seek a quicker end to their existence. All of these people are still hooked on slow death. If they were not, as much as they hate life, they would be dead by their own hand years ago.

The last, and smallest, two groups of the population are the suicides and the visionaries.

The suicides are an enigma in that, like the visionaries, they truly love life and cannot live a slow death. Unfortunately, unlike the visionaries, they see no answer for slow death. These people would be some of the strongest people alive since they have the conviction not to live someone else's life and the power and the courage in which to take their own. This is unlike the vast majority of people who cannot take their own life but will, in an instant, condemn someone else to death.

Finally we have the visionaries who look into themselves and have enough of an inward conception of how to be alive to cancel the outward forces lodged against them. These are the only people who truly live. The suicides get my deepest respect for they die because they want to live. The visionaries follow their own ideals and their own conscience. They answer to no one but themselves. They hold the answer to true freedom - strength in one's self and in one's ideals.



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Unless you really enjoy reading manuals, get a Macintosh.

Tim Moses
Computer Science
Vanderbilt University



"Macintosh practically eliminates the need to keep manuals next to my computer, because—regardless of which program I'm using—I can open, close, save, and print files in exactly the same way. And you can't say that about any other computer.

"Today lots of other computers are attempting to look and work like a Macintosh, but it's just not possible. They're too fundamentally different to begin with. This may sound a little strange, but comparing a Macintosh to other computers is like comparing apples to oranges. You can squash the orange into shape and paint it to look like an apple, but underneath the makeup, it's still an orange.

"It's funny—I work at the Vanderbilt computer store and I've seen lots of people switch from other computers to Macintosh, but I've never seen anybody with a Macintosh switch to another computer."

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Why do people love Macintosh?
Ask them.

Computers are our lives

By ELIZABETH GARCIA
Staff Writer

Technology plays an important role in the life of many Americans. Whether it is at work, home or school people are surrounded by computerized equipment. Computers are a way of life for American business. Today, computers are needed for record keeping, research, public relations, scientific studies and many other skills.

The Los Angeles Valley College Administration Building will have a new Harris Computer System installed on Oct. 29 and will be up and running by Nov. 8. This system is a one for one replacement for the computers that are now in use on campus.

According to Jorge Mata, micro-computer specialist, this system is superior to the one that LAVC is currently using. The computers are made by EXEVE and the campus is getting the Novell Network.

This system will help in matriculation, counseling, registration and other student related services. The project has been in the planning for four years and is IBM compatible.

The system is part of a network in which every computer can be connected to each other. The computers are able to communicate, exchange files and maintain software. They are also part of a Wide Area Network (WAN) which allows campuses to talk to each other. This

system directly links to the main terminal and allows the L. A. District to be aware of any abnormalities with the system.

Harris computers can run IBM software and also serve as a personal computer (PC). Every PC has access to the system, but not anyone can have easy access to the system which has passwords, amount of time and the day when one may choose to use it. The computers are programmed to identify use of the password. The system is secured, said Mata.

LAVC already has computers on campus and the District is paying 50 percent of the installation costs. The campus is buying the Lattisnet connector. It is the wire that connects the computer to the network. The Lattisnet costs \$150 per computer.

The system will require a standardized program, electronic mail and training. Ed Stocker, faculty support center supervisor, will be appointed network administrator. It is not certain if more personnel will be hired or not. Mata said that he will be working with this project.

The goal of Administration according to Mata is to connect the whole campus to this system. Right now, the Administration building, the Library and Campus Center are among the first departments to have the Harris system.

Mata believes that "this is the right thing to do in the short and long term. The advantages are great and we can't ignore them. This system will open up doors to new types of student services."



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New VP-Mrs. Tyree Wieder at work at her new job.

Recycling is in!

By ANNA VILLA
Staff Writer

Los Angeles Valley College is gearing up to do its part to help the environment. Last semester, the administrative staff held an open meeting to discuss the initial plans of a recycling program that will begin sometime this fall.

The committee appointed as a result of that meeting, has already called upon recycling sources throughout the campus. Such as the custodial and gardening departments. Charles Long, the committee chairman and head of the custodial department, said the program is getting a lot of support, especially from the instructors. Long also said he and his staff are already beginning their recycling efforts by collecting the cardboard boxes that are discarded by the bookstore.

The custodial department also works closely with Roger Baehne the principal gardener and his staff by cleaning up the litter left behind by students. However because leaves and other gardening debris takes up too much room in the dumpsters, Baehne was called upon to find out the cost of professional "mulching." He found, however, that Valley's budget could not afford the \$8,000 a week it would take to mulch the fallen leaves and branches that litter the campus, plus the help of three extra men.

Instead, Baehne and his crew con-

tinued to regularly recycle their collected debris in new planting projects throughout the campus. According to Baehne, this is still effective because like mulching, it helps the texture of the soil and it retains water; an added factor, since his department was ordered to cut back on water usage. Baehne said that the program is a "good thing and praises the efforts of the custodial staff and those of the faculty.

Vice President of Administration, Mary Ann Breckell, said that she is pleased with the response the recycling program has received. Breckell is also part of the committee and said that a planning meeting will be scheduled for the students and faculty to interchange ideas. Breckell said the intentions of the committee include recycling plasticware from the cafeteria and reusing paper from the school's offices.

Ms. Lynn Polasek, professor of biological science, has volunteered to write conservation tips, which will be included in the teacher's weekly bulletins.

On the program's future agenda, Breckell said that separate trash bins for aluminum cans will be set up throughout the campus.

"Recycling is here; and we need to participate," Breckell said. "Recycling is everyone's problem."

News Notes

Pro-Choice

The pro-choice club will hold their first meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 26 at 1 p.m. in Humanities 100. Regular meetings will be held on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month.

Self-Esteem Self-Talk

A one day workshop designed for women seeking to transform the negative messages internalized from the past and to develop new ways of practicing positive communication with the inner self to enhance self esteem. The workshop will take place on Saturday, Oct. 27 from 2 to 6 p.m. at the A.T. Center.

Cost of the workshop is \$20. Pre-registration is required with a non-refundable deposit of \$5. No one will be turned away because of inability to pay. For more information, or to register, call (213) 381-7805 between noon and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Night Watch

The Administration of Justice club is out to help you. If you need and escort go to Bungalow 12 or call extension 224.

The A. J. Club also needs people to work night watch. Two hours or whatever is possible one night a week for escorts, patrols and parking lot checks. For more info go to Bungalow 12 or call extension 224.

Narcotics Anonymous

On campus daily in Bungalow 1. Narcotics Anonymous is for the students who either have a drug problem or think that they might. The hours are Mon.-Fri.: 7-8 a.m. Fri. night: 7:30 p.m. Sat. 8 a.m. and Sun. 7 p.m.

There are no dues or membership fees required, only a desire to quit using. For more info, see the bulletin board outside of the ASU office (CC 102).

Sheriffs Wanted

The Ventura County Sheriff's Department is actively seeking men and women for the position of deputy sheriff.

Applicants must be United States citizens, at least 19 years of age at the time of application, have a high school diploma or an equivalent certificate and possess a valid driver's license.

Applications are available from Sheriff's Personnel or County Personnel. All applications must be submitted by 5 p.m. Nov. 9. For more info call 656-8273 or 654-2375.

Meet the poets

Bill Wallis and Terry Martin of the English Department and Michael Marth and Ann Stanton, students in creative writing, will be recognized for their publication in FOUR VALLEY POETS at a reception on Sunday, Sept. 30 from 2 to 4 p.m. at Dutton's Books, 5146 Laurel Canyon Blvd.

Counseling

The CSUN Representative will be here every Thursday starting today from 9 to 11 a.m. in the Counseling Lobby.

Women's softball

An open meeting for women's softball will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 2 at 3:30 p.m. in the Women's Gym.

Sukkot celebration

LAVC Hillel invites faculty, staff and students to join us for "Lunch in the Sukkah" on Monday, Oct. 8, Tuesday, Oct. 9 and Wednesday, Oct. 10 from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. outside the bookstore. Please bring your lunch. Hillel will provide drinks and dessert. There is no charge, but please bring a can for food drive. On Wednesday, Oct. 10, we will sponsor a special celebration from 12 to 1:30 p.m. with music and a holiday presentation. All are welcome.

Senate . . .

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Mary Ann Breckell, vice president of Valley, rejected the senate's accusations against Lee being undemocratic in her decisions. "I have seen Dr. Lee operating for years," Breckell said, "and she does listen to people. She does listen to suggestions."

However, Sterk's letter on addressing a direct statement to Lee states: "The senate does not believe that you have dealt with the recommendations of PAC in a manner consistent with the intent of AB

1725 in the area of shared governance."

"... we are not getting action based on general decisions, we are getting only a limited viewpoint." Dr. Adrienne Zahler a professor in speech and broadcasting, said Sterk affirmed that the senate will not go back to PAC under the current undemocratic structure at Valley.

"We would go back if we could negotiate a role for PAC in the decision making process," Sterk said.

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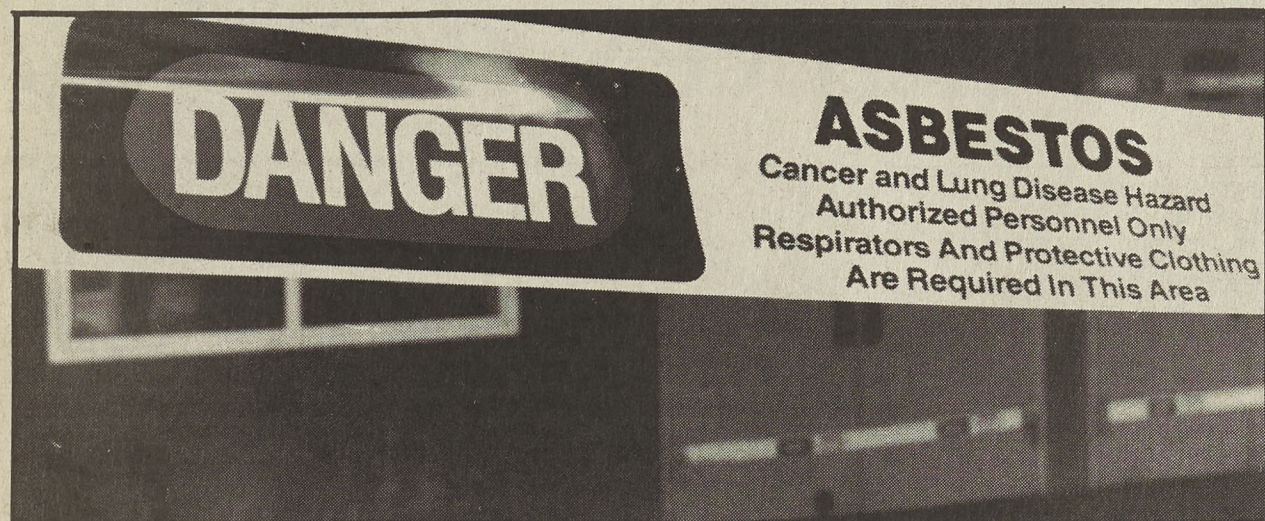
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Take five... 'til Oct. 8



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By JENNIFER CASE
Staff Writer

Take a breath. Now, let it out. Feel a strange tightening in your throat? Perhaps it's a bit difficult to breathe.

If you are reading this anywhere on campus beside the Little Theater or the Library, then, chances are, you aren't experiencing these sensations. Although these symptoms sound like something brought by the Black Plague, the culprit is of a more industrious nature.

Asbestos, a thin, soft, fibrous material, was widely used in manufacturing air conditioning

ducts, roofing, and even cement until it was discontinued after the early 50s, when it was deemed harmful.

The toxic fiber was found in Monarch Hall, the Library, and in the *Anti-Pro* room in the Little Theater.

Peter Parkin, head of the theater department, said, "I've been going up to that room since 1970, and I've suffered no ill effects."

But Parkin admits when he learned of the asbestos situation, he visited a doctor. "I had myself checked out, and I'm fine," said Parkin.

Although Parkin suffered no ill effects, over a long period of

time asbestos inhalation is likely to cause either cancer of the lung or asbestosis, a severe lung impairment.

The removal of the asbestos began Aug. 13 and is still underway. Not only has the Library been closed due to removal, but the theater department has been inconvenienced as well.

Rehearsals for upcoming shows have been moved, and although the completion of the project is scheduled for Oct. 8, Parkin is skeptical.

"We have a show opening on Oct. 15, and they promised they'd be done by the 8th. We'll see," Parkin said.

Wilder makes audience simper

By GINNY ZORASTER
Staff Writer

After directing *Three Men and a Baby*, Leonard Nimoy brings us a light comedy that keeps you floating from the beginning to its disappointing end.

In *Funny About Love* Gene Wilder plays Duffy Bergman, a New York cartoonist. Duffy falls in love with Meg, an aspiring chef played by Christine Lahti.

The two marry but find that they are unable to have children. Meg is extremely hard hit by this. Duffy, on the other hand, becomes obsessed. Eventually the frustration tears

the couple apart.

After a period of wallowing, Duffy meets Daphne Delilio (Mary Stuart Masterson). Daphne is spontaneous, full life and youth. With Daphne anything can happen, and it does.

All the characters in the movie are effective, especially Gene Wilder's. Although his performance was based more on the drama than the comedy, his physical reactions and sarcastic lines brought comic overtones to the role.

Lahti gave a touching portrayal of a woman trying desperately to conceive. The audience was able to sympathize with the character's

frustration and her agony.

Masterson also gave a good performance. She was both witty and energetic. With her good comedic timing she brought a sense of freshness to the movie along with an array of clever one liners.

Funny About Love was both humorous and touching. The movie gave insight to the pain and difficulty that infertility inflicts upon couples wanting to have children.

Unfortunately, the movies' conclusion unraveled at the seems. The movie was too quickly finished and was given an unrealistic happy ending.



That's a rap - Members from Mother Love Bone L-R Jeff Ament, the late Andrew Wood, Greg Gilmore, Bruce Fairweather, and Stone Gossard.

Swan song for Love

There is nothing more disappointing than a *could-have-been* band that has a concrete first effort. The unexpected death of *Mother Love Bone's* frontman Andrew Wood left plans up in the air for the band.

One thing is certain, according to members; if another album is made it won't be by *Mother Love Bone*. All that can be said is a good album is in existence for hard rock fanatics.

What makes this album special are great lyrics and a better-than-average musical performance. When listening to this album, one can't help but thinking of *Zeppelin*

and *Aerosmith* with a hidden flair for funk. *Love Bone's* sound isn't like *Faith No More* or the *Red Hot Chili Peppers* but, rather, a more basic sound in which their influences can be heard.

From a hard-hitting opening cut called *This is Shangri-la*, *MLB* offers consistent fast-paced guitar riffs and drumming balanced with Wood's adequate vocals. Yes, these are songs for mainstream radio, but they aren't as cliched as *Bon Jovi*.

Some ballads are offered, as most artists in this genre do. For a debut album the songs are well done. There are heartwarming vocals with

lots of acoustic guitar strumming.

Completing the well-rounded selection of hard rock songs are those dealing with corruption in religion, as in *Crown of Thorns*, and speculations on homosexuality in *Come Bite the Apple*.

Even the stereotypical sounding songs are well written as on *Captain Hi-Top* and *Come Bite the Apple*.

If you are tired of the typical L.A. band, then take a bite out of *Apple*, the first and last LP from *Mother Love Bone*.

—Luther E. Orrick

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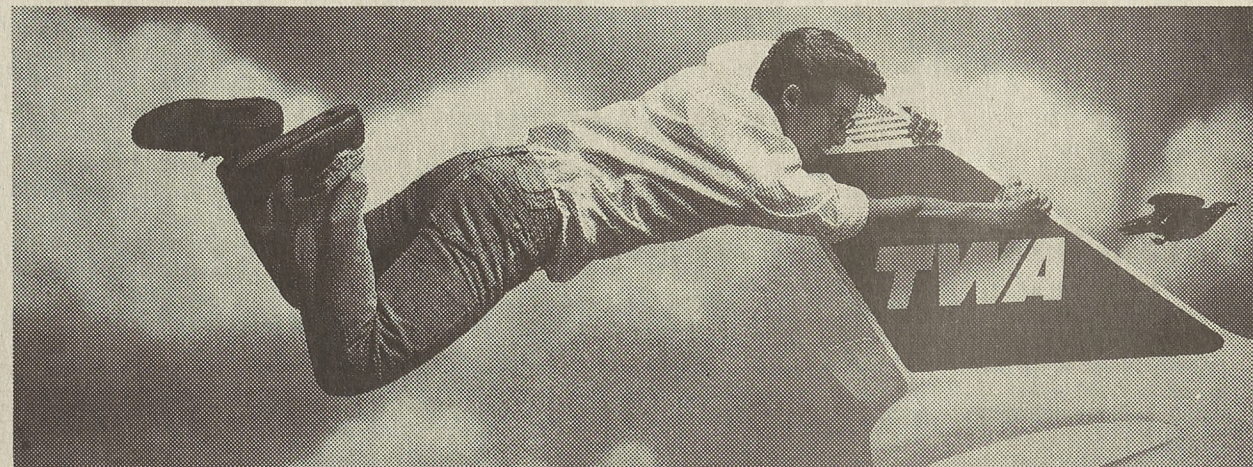
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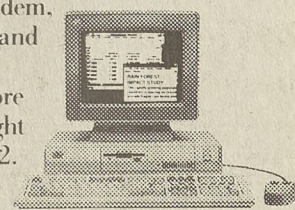
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Breaking Away - Moorpark's Fred Bradley easily outmaneuvers Valley's defenses for one of his 19 carries.

Moorpark smashes Monarchs 41-10

By ERIC BURNS
Staff Writer

Griffin Stadium opened its gates to twilight football at Moorpark College last Saturday, and what followed was a great display of offensive prominence at its finest with sound execution and a score to match.

Unfortunately, Valley proved that they still have a lot of work to do on both sides of the ball. The Monarchs ended up losing decisively to the Moorpark Raiders by the count of 41-10.

"We haven't played up to our capability as team yet, but the season is still young," said an unidentified assistant football coach.

Valley will attempt to get on track for win No. 1 when they play Ventura at Monarch Stadium this Satur-

day at 7:30 p.m. Valley now stands at 0-2.

Moorpark's rushing tandem of Freddie Bradley and Jamal Anderson turned this contest into a blowout by tearing up Valley's defensive line to the tune of over 320 yards and four touchdowns, three of them in the first half.

Bradley ran for 190 yards on 19 carries and three touchdowns while Anderson added 16 carries for 133 yards and one touchdown run, proving to be too much for the Monarch defense.

Valley started the scoring in the first quarter with a 33-yard field goal by kicker Edward Brown. Moorpark responded with a missed try from 31 yards, but returned two minutes later with Bradley's first touchdown on a 7-yard carry. The extra point try failed, making the score 6-3.

Then an avalanche, otherwise

known as the second quarter, fell all over the Monarchs. Quarterback Kris Dutra threw his first of two touchdown passes to Louis Home for 33 yards, after having a 23-yard touchdown pass wiped out by a holding penalty.

With 10:23 left in the quarter, Anderson scored his only touchdown on a 19-yard scamper, set up by a 66-yard run by Bradley. Four minutes later, Bradley struck again for a 20-yard touchdown score, capping a 85-yard drive to pad the lead, 27-3.

Two bright spots for Valley included backup quarterback Mark Mengoni, who completed more than 50 percent of his passes and threw a touchdown pass in the fourth quarter, and Ed Bunn, who punted seven times for an average of 37.4 yards per kick.

Kurt Gilsenan makes a splash

By LYSHA MONTIEL
Staff Writer

"Just because we wear Speedos does not mean we are pansies. It is a rough sport. You have to see it to believe it," said Kurt Gilsenan, one of Los Angeles Valley College's top sophomore water polo players.

Gilsenan knows how rough water polo is. He is a shooter/defenseman for the first time this season and is right where the action takes place. Last season Gilsenan played goalie, and this is his first year on the field.

Eye-scratching, kicking, holding and hitting are all part of the game. Technically, these actions are penalties, but if it happens under water, a lot gets by.

Despite the harsh realities of water polo, Gilsenan is drawn to the sport. "It keeps me in shape and competitive. I like to win," said Gilsenan.

He was inspired by his Notre Dame High School coach, J.C. Barnett. For three years Gilsenan played under Barnett, who "taught me a lot about life and how to grow up quick."

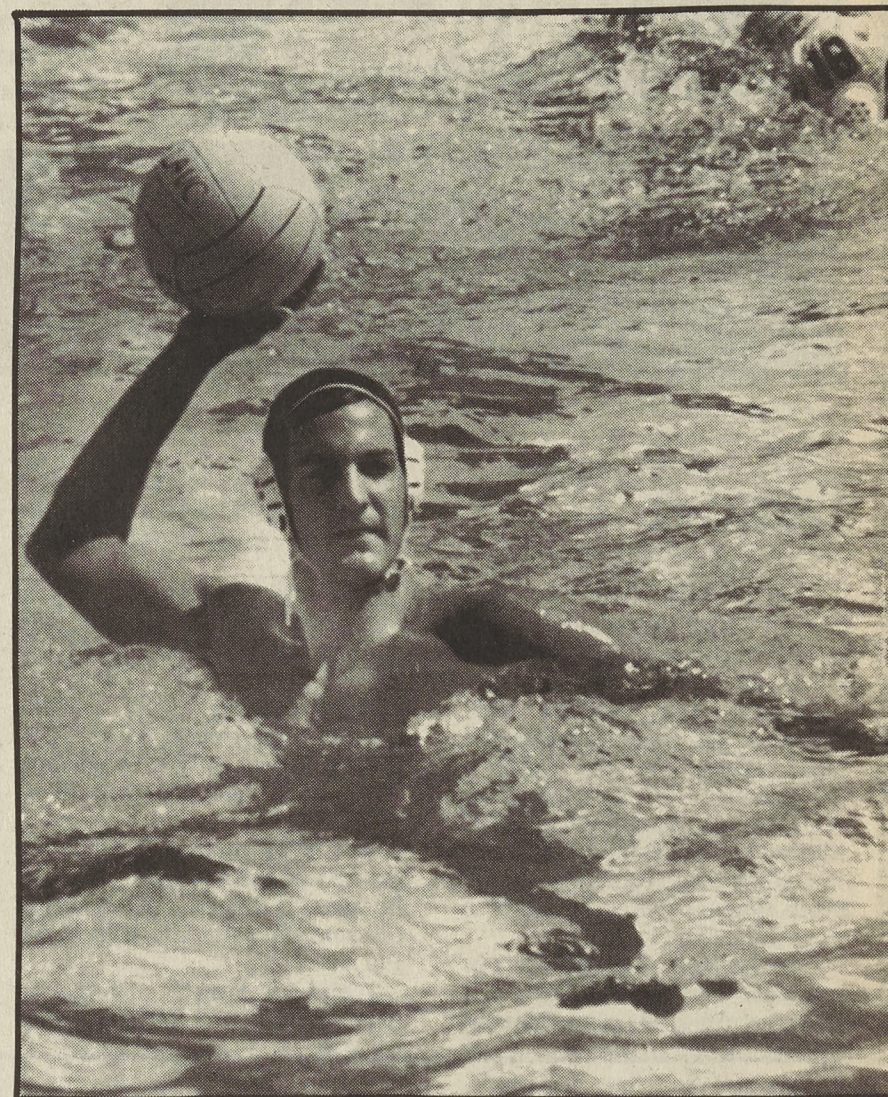
Gilsenan, 19, is from a relatively small family. He was born in Los Angeles at St. Joseph's Hospital, has a 21-year-old sister and currently lives in Van Nuys with his family.

Gilsenan would like to transfer to USC or San Diego State University, to major in business. Ultimately, Gilsenan aspires to be like his father.

"I would like to be a good father and husband and have a good wife just like my dad has it now," said Gilsenan.

A natural athlete, Gilsenan not only participated in water polo but also played four years of Notre Dame basketball, and was on the varsity track team for two years.

Gilsenan is of great value to the water polo team. He has good hands



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Kurt Gilsenan - practicing his shooting skills

and long arms that give him the advantage over his opponents. Not only do his physical attributes benefit the team but his team spirit as well.

Whenever Gilsenan feels like giving up, he "takes a step back, realizes what I'm doing wrong and try to make a good pass that helps the team."

Unlike football, baseball or

basketball, water polo is not a great spectator sport.

At Valley, the spectators are usually a mixture of family and close friends. They watch the game, which include penalties, intensity, scoring and passion.

"The more support that we get the more adrenalin goes through my body, and the better I play," claimed Gilsenan.

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